

# Electoral Campaign

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### Organization Candidates in Both Camps Deemed in Lead—Brisk Campaign Opens This Week.

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ALBANY, N. Y., September 11.—New York state voters will answer the first call of the campaign when they go to the primaries next Tuesday to pass upon the candidates for state offices in both parties which have been tested upon their hands. There is little doubt that the organization candidates will win all the way down the line and, in this belief, the campaign directors of both the democratic and republican parties have arranged to open the campaign immediately. Speaking tours covering every town and hamlet in the state have been outlined and the campaign is being actively handled by the state and national issues will start out from the big cities before the week end.

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Judge Nathan L. Miller of Syracuse, organization candidate, and Senator George F. Thompson of Niagara are the rivals for the republican nomination for governor. Senator Thompson has the backing of the Anti-Saloon League and is the regular nominee of the prohibition party, but has little support outside of the pronounced reform element. It is not believed that it will make a strong impression against Judge Miller. The same element that is supporting Senator Thompson for governor is behind Miss Ella A. Warner, Women's Christian Temperance Union head, for United States senator. Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., the designation of the anti-organization element, Miss Boone probably will attract the votes of the vindictive anti-organizationists, but her new-forgiveness Senator Wadsworth for his bitter antagonism during the campaign for votes for women.

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The contest over the United States senatorial nomination is the big feature of the democratic primaries, with Lieutenant Governor George R. Lunn of Schenectady as the rival candidate. Lieutenant Governor Lunn has the support of the democratic state organization, having been suggested as the nominee by the democratic state convention at Albany. He is expected to defeat Mayor Lunn by a decisive majority, despite the fact that the latter has made a comparatively conservative record in every section of the state.

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Thus far the campaign in Pennsylvania, outside of drives being made by republicans in congressional districts, has been confined to printing ink and cigar store discussions. There have been few meetings, even in districts where the campaign starts early.

Senator Boies Penrose has been getting about republican state headquarters in Philadelphia, and his preliminary steps to start campaign work have been matched at the democratic headquarters in Harrisburg, where chairmen of committees, some of which are not yet named, have been discussing the unusual situation produced by the advent of woman suffrage and the low registration.

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**STEEL CAR MAN DIES.**

COLUMBUS, Ohio, September 11.—Joseph S. Ralston, president of the Ralston Steel Car Company here, died today. He had been suffering from nervous prostration for several months. Mr. Ralston, who was fifty-five years of age, came to Columbus in 1905 from Hamilton, Ontario.

**TAXI MAN FOUND SHOT.**

ATLANTA, September 11.—The body of Leroy Trexler, an Atlanta taxi-cab driver, was found in the woods north of the city last night with a gunshot wound in the neck. The body pocket had been rifled and the man's throat cut.

Additional political news will be found on Page 4 of today's Star.

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